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Defender's Song, "Faith of Our Fathers"

Defender's Motto, "Back To The Bible"

"After This Manner Pray Ye"

(Matthew 6:9)

By, Gerald B. Winrod

(Matthew 6:7-13) "But when ye pray, use not vain repetition, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking. Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him. After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen."

Man by nature is a praying being. He is always found praying, whether on the banks of the Ganges, kneeling toward Mecca, bowing before idols, or in Christian lands. That person who does not develop the prayer habit opposes the supreme law of his being.

Paul says, "I will pray with the spirit." Prayer is not sentiment; it is science. It operates according to certain fixed laws. Comply with the conditions and definite results will be experienced. Paul reveals the secret. The life and creative power of the prayer is in the spiritual contact established between God and man.

All causes proceed from the spiritual. All forms, forces, laws and substances in the physical world are but outer effects of inner spiritual causes. True prayer centers the consciousness in the realm of cause. To adjust causes in the spirit is to automatically adjust effects in the physical.

Paul says, "and I will pray with the understanding also." The prayer, originating in the unseen, may be clothed with the spoken word. But there is a vast difference between talking and praying. It is one thing to talk; it is quite another thing to pray. The religious leaders in the day of Jesus knew how to talk. They stood in public places and uttered eloquent prayers to be heard of men; and they crucified the Son of God. Their words were empty. The prophets of Baal talked; Elijah prayed and "the fire of the Lord fell, and licked up the water." One may speak words and yet fail to enter those silent places where the spirit of man communes with the spirit of God.

Men, informed in the natural sciences, ask — Why pray? Prayer, they say, is all right for the widows and orphans, but it is only a sentimental action of the mind. As a miracle working force it cannot be acknowledged. To think of prayer changing an element in chemistry, or a law in biology is absurd.

In Cana of Galilee, we are reminded, that Jesus changed the chemistry of water into the chemistry of wine. This is denied on the grounds that such a feat would oppose natural law. Water is H₂O — hydrogen and oxygen. Where is there a chemist who can tell what these two gases are made of? To say that hydrogen is hydrogen does not explain what this gas is composed of. To trace chemical elements into their root cause, is to take them into the unseen — the mundane spirit of nature. Prayer puts the soul of man in the realm of the cause, the spiritual laboratory, where chemical elements are made. "God is a Spirit" and as such creates the spiritual forces out of

which physical substances are made. "If he gather unto himself his spirit and his breath; all flesh shall perish together."

In the days of His flesh, Jesus controlled storms, commanded elements, healed diseases, cast out devils and did many mighty works which seemed to be directly out of harmony with natural law. On the Mount of Ascension, He overcame gravity.

True prayer does not oppose natural law; it simply transcends the laws of nature and manifests a power superior to that known to finite man. The natural world is plastic and subservient to the powerful creative forces of the spiritual world. Because of the abnormal condition of our earth, the normal manifestation of God upon it produces a miraculous result. What we call a miracle is God's normal method of operation. In the material world there are no miracles, but "all things are possible with God." In prayer we are dealing with the God who made natural law. "Pray with the spirit."

"Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." Who would limit God? Is His arm shortened? According to His sovereign will, can He not heal bodies as well as souls? God needs only a consecrated instrument through which to accomplish His holy purposes.

Moody was a chaplain during the Civil War. One day after a terrible battle he was crossing a battle field. He stopped to straighten out the limbs of a dying boy. He moistened his lips with water from his canteen. The boy revived and said, "Chaplain, I think you could read to me." "What shall I read?" asked Moody. "Sir," said the boy, "put your hand in my pocket and pull out my little Testament, and read, please, the fourteenth chapter of John." Moody read to the twenty-seventh verse — "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you." Then, Moody prayed. Opening his eyes, the boy said, "Chaplain, I have that peace." In a moment his eyes were closed and his heart was still.

Prayer changes things. While in the flesh, Jesus prayed constantly. If He needed to pray, how much more ought we mortals to pray!

Note: During the "Week of Prayer" (January 1 to 8) let Defender readers take time from the busy cares to relax, meditate and pray. "Be still and know that I am God."

"WHO SHALL ASCEND?"

"Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord?" — asks the Psalmist. Then the answer comes back, "He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart." The Lord placed emphasis upon the same thought — "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." The carnal self must be crucified; the Christ life must burst forth in an inner resurrection; the imagination must be cleansed; the emotions must be purified — then Christ will reign in the "Throne room" of the soul. "Your life is hid with Christ in God." (Col. 3:3.)

Future Operations

The Defenders organization has reached the place where expansion is inevitable. It has extended beyond the experimental stage. Conditions have called it forth. It is here to stay.

Many barriers have been thrown in our path, but in every instance they have proved to be blessings in disguise. Let us meet the destructive forces squarely and in the open, knowing that Right is Might in the end. We will shrink from no duty.

Every Defender should be a worker. Every opportunity to promote the interests of the organization should be improved. Announcements of the future program will be made very soon. In a short time, we hope to submit plans for launching local organizations, where Defenders can meet once a week, either in homes or churches. These local organizations will be called Groups and will be presided over by Group leaders. A spiritualized nucleus of Defenders should be organized in 300 communities during 1928.

For a speaker to go into a community and deliver an address is not enough. Local organizations must follow.

Kansas members will interest themselves in the forthcoming election and do their best to send good men to the next legislature who are informed on these important issues.

We hope, also, to be able to repeat the Lindsborg gathering in at least four communities in different sections of Kansas in May. The plan is to bring to the state outstanding speakers to help conduct District Conferences. Let every pastor interested in having one of the Conferences in his community write at once. Such a Conference would be of untold blessing to a Church.

Members of the organization and subscribers to the magazine should send their renewal fees as soon as notification is received.

The Kansas organization should be duplicated in every section of the country. Requests from other states are before us and as our program crystallizes, announcements will be made.

To oppose Evolution and the sins of the times is not enough. Where false scientific claims are refuted, true knowledge must be substituted. Where apostasy is dispelled, real religion must be established. Over the ruins of pagan and atheistic philosophies we must build the temples of eternal truth. While we oppose wickedness in high places, we must also build along constructive lines.

ARKANSAS

A group of men are working hard to remove Evolution from the schools of Arkansas. A bill presented in the last Legislature was defeated by a small majority. Now an Arkansas Anti-Evolution League has been organized and petitions are being circulated among voters in an effort to place the matter on the ballots at the November election. The law requires 12,500 names on the petitions, and already they have about 6,000. Dr. W. B. Riley spoke ten days in Little Rock recently in the interest of the present campaign.

Items of Interest to Defenders

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PRESIDENT COOLIDGE SAYS, "The true civic center of our municipalities will be found not in some towering edifice with stately approaches, nor in broad avenues flanked with magnificent mansions, but around the family altar of the American home, the source of that strength which has marked our national character, where above all else is cherished a faith in the things not seen."

IF MONEY be not thy servant it will be thy master.

SHOULD FUNDAMENTALIST LAYMEN SUPPORT Modernist preachers? Moody said, "You wouldn't try to put a lot of chicks under a dead hen."

"SOME PEOPLE are troubled by the things in the Bible they can't understand. The things that trouble me are the things I can understand." Mark Twain.

A METHODIST MINISTER in New York State printed the following advertisement in his local newspaper: "Lost, strayed or stolen, a large flock of Methodist sheep. They have been gone some time. When last seen they were browsing along the road to Indifference. If they refuse to come, drive them into the nearest fold and lock the door and report to the undersigned. A reward will be given."

THE RECENT CONFERENCE AT LAUSANNE was a long step in the direction of a world federation of religions. Such procedure involves a grave danger. Bishop Manning, delivering an address at the Conference, regretted the absence of "our Roman Catholic brethren."

ACCORDING TO MY DIARY, I delivered 358 addresses during 1927; an average of almost one a day. The best estimate available indicates that the audiences aggregated 130,000 persons. I spoke in about 240 communities during the year. It is impossible to estimate the number of miles traveled. Most of the year was spent in California, Minnesota and Kansas. It has been a busy year. The duties have been heavy, but God has provided the strength and blessed the effort. Friends have been kind as I have traveled. Remember me at the Throne when you have your "windows open toward Jerusalem." And, do not forget my

dear wife and our children, whose sacrifice is as great, or greater, than my own. G. B. W.

THE FIRST TEN DAYS of December were given to Smith Center, Kansas, for a revival. I held my first meeting in that little city about two years ago. In the providence of God, I was able to give my testimony to large audiences during the revival, accompanied with no small fruition. Rev. Ira N. Faurot, Defender, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, is doing an excellent work there. G. B. W.

"BLACKSHIRTS OF ALL ITALY" Thus began a proclamation of Benito Mussolini when Italy celebrated, recently, the fifth anniversary of the Fascist march on Rome. Vigorous splendor, marchings with flags and flamboyant rhetoric characterized the occasion. Mussolini said, "For the fifth time the date has come around which strikes a chord in all our hearts, kindles our hopes and humiliates everywhere our fainthearted enemies. With deeds, not words, we will celebrate it."

SPEAKING OF SCANDALS, Pontius Pilate has not been spared.

Mrs. Ruth Bryan Owens, daughter of the late William Jennings Bryan and wife of a British major of engineers, has announced the discovery that Pontius Pilate embezzled funds that were to have been used for the Jerusalem waterworks system. It has long been known that charges were made against him, that he was removed and that he died in indigence and disgrace. He was unable to wash his hands of these offenses, as he did of a still greater one, when he consented to the greatest crime of history. Mrs. Owen's statement seems to be based on records of the transaction made by Pilate, but hidden in the walls. These records were found by British engineers in 1918, while improving the water supply of modern Jerusalem.

DR. S. PARKES CADMAN, Modernist, President Federal Council of Churches, asks for a "Theological Truce." He says we have enough modernist and fundamentalist literature, and "should begin to live some of the principles that are the basis of our religion." Some newspaper editors and fickle preachers have said, "Amen." What Cadman really wants, is to quiet evangelicals. He knows that religious sentiment is mounting up with an amazing rapidity against Modernism. He put off his appeal for a "Truce" too long. The conservative program is too well understood way. "Truce?" Nonsense! We should say not! We are just getting started! The Modernist program is certain of defeat. Indeed, it would be fine for the modernists if they could persuade Christian forces to cease their attacks against modern heresies.

THE BIBLE will never reveal its precious, golden secrets to the critic. It was written by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, and only the Spirit-filled soul can really grasp the inner truth contained therein.

MEMBERS OF "THE DEFENDERS", NOTICE: The expense of the 1927 Convention was about \$900.00. Of this amount, \$886.29 was received by mail from the membership. Five members sent 50c each; one hundred and fifty-four sent \$1.00; two sent \$1.50; one sent \$1.75; forty sent \$2.00; three sent \$2.50; one sent \$3.00; one sent \$3.50; one sent \$4.00; eighteen sent \$5.00; one sent \$7.50; one sent \$9.54; two sent \$10.00. — Grand

Total \$386.29. The balance necessary to finance the Convention was raised at the public meetings.

REV. DANIEL H. MERGLER, pastor Presbyterian Church, Osborne, Kansas, writes Mr. Winrod, as follows: "The session of my church requested me to express their appreciation of your splendid lectures and faithful adherence to the truth as expressed in the Word of God. You would find a welcome here any time you might pass this way."

ABOUT 5,000 READERS of this magazine, are not members of "The Defenders of the Christian Faith." The small sum of \$2.00 entitles sympathetic persons to active membership. This amount includes the annual subscription price of the magazine. The movement needs the loyal support and cooperation of interested friends everywhere. Its program is nation-wide. "Come thou with us and we will do thee good."

ACCORDING TO AN ASSOCIATED PRESS REPORT, Harry Emerson Fosdick, Modernist, has declared himself in favor of "Companionate Marriage." He says, "We should take the shackles off the physicians, and let them tell the nation that there is no hope for the solution of the population problem except in the scientific control of the birth rate."

R. R. BROWN, PASTOR CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY ALLIANCE CHURCH, OMAHA, has built for himself a great constituency over the radio. Multitudes wait upon his radio ministry. On Sunday morning, December 4, at 9 o'clock, Mr. Winrod tuned in to enjoy a hour with Rev. Brown, before going into the pulpit. What he heard was a disappointment. Rev. Brown being away, the pastor of the First Methodist Church of Omaha was the speaker. His address was largely a defense of Evolution. Mr. Winrod could not refrain from sending the following telegram:

RADIO STATION W. O. W.
OMAHA, NEBRASKA
MORNING ADDRESS IN DEFENSE OF
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OF BROWN RADIO AUDIENCE DISAP-
POINTED GERALD B. WINROD

"A YOUNG MAN, DRUNK ON MOONSHINE, killed two young women and himself. His grandmother said, "Before God, it was not my grandson that did the killing, but the man that sold him the whisky." She might have added that the chief assistant in the killing was a government too indifferent to enforce the prohibition law." United Presbyterian.

BY A VOTE OF 5 TO 1, the Baptist State Convention of Oklahoma, at their last annual meeting, decided to withhold donations from their two seminaries, at Louisville and Fort Worth, because the schools refused to sign the "McDaniel Resolution" agreeing NOT to teach Evolution. This is a distinct victory for the conservative wing of Oklahoma Baptists.

A PROMINENT LADY WRITER on "companionate marriage" in Kansas, announces in a front page story of the November 20th issue of the Kansas City Star, that her daughter, who is a student in Junior high school, has been given in marriage to a young man who is a sophomore at Kansas University. The children will continue with their school work, (Turn to page 8.)

Companionate Marriage

By, Gerald B. Winrod

The present movement of organized atheism which is sweeping the Country advocates three things:

- (1) EVOLUTION IN THE SCHOOLS
- (2) COMPANIONATE MARRIAGE FOR YOUTH
- (3) SPREAD OF ATHEISM AMONG ALL CLASSES

First

Atheists smile upon the modernistic forces now at work in the evangelical denominations, and say, "Keep up the good work, you modernist preachers and teachers; you are on the right track; it is only one step from modernism to atheism."

With delight, they view our school system and observe that Evolution is being taught even to little children in grade schools and in practically all high schools. They rejoice that Evolution is the foundation of modern learning in practically all colleges and universities. They know that Evolution appears in the textbooks authorized by practically every state in the Union.

What a joy for them to realize that the prophecy of Bob Ingersoll — "Darwin has furnished the rope with which Christianity will some day hang" — is coming true in the lives of multitudes!

The atheists say, "Keep Evolution in the school a few years longer, and the NO GOD CONSCIOUSNESS will take complete possession of the American people."

How pleasing to atheists to realize that the very philosophy which they most earnestly desire to see propagated, is being taught everywhere at the expense of the taxpayers! They feast upon the thought that, one by one, denominational schools and seminaries, publishing houses, religious magazines and commanding pulpits, are being delivered into the hands of the modernists. They know that already the dagger has been pressed against the heart of almost every denomination. The loss of religious fervor and the evangelistic spirit is viewed with silent delight.

If Christianity and Evolution are such good friends, as modernist preachers and professors say, perhaps some one will explain how it is that every atheist advocates the Theory. ATHEISTS DEFEND IT BECAUSE THEY KNOW EVOLUTION BLASTS AWAY EVERY FOUNDATION STONE UPON WHICH THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION RESTS. Modernist preachers and the atheists are working hand-in-hand. Not a few preachers are saying from pulpits today the very things Bob Ingersoll advocated from the public rostrum.

Second

Energized by the breath of the Pit, the emissaries of atheism are laying the ax at the root of our civilization. Carrying Evolution to its inevitable end, they are applying the animalistic principle in the solution of moral problems. The very forces that reduced Sodom and Gomorrah to ashes are working in the soul of America.

With the present religious lapse there is appearing a corresponding moral decay. Billows of immorality are sweeping our land like waves over the ocean. We view it on the stage and the screen, at magazine stands and in the press, in women's dress and modern fashions, in the slums and high society, — everywhere, animalism, animalism, animalism. What cement is to the building, morality is to our national structure. "If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?"

There is, according to press reports and consensus of popular opinion, an impossible familiarity existing between the sexes, the

like of which has not been known since the destruction of the wicked civilization of Noah's Day. Unless broken altars are erected; unless Christians are stimulated to action; unless God speaks, modern civilization is doomed! There is reason for alarm. Let America go to "sack-cloth and ashes" like Nineveh of old!

Perhaps the most hideous and putrid expression of the present animalistic psychology, yet observed, is to be found in the wide spread publicity being given to "Companionate Marriage." Reckoning with humans as though there were beasts, modern "advanced learning" is advocating the most impossible standards of morality. Having disposed of the Ten Commandments, a new code is being substituted. No nation can long survive when it forsakes the simple pronouncements of Sinai.

In Kansas there is a publisher of magazines and books who seems to be a good business man. Unlimited publicity has been attached to his name of late by newspapers. In this article, not wishing to aid in his advertising scheme, we will NOT mention his name. This seller of infidelic literature, and his wife, are ardent exponents of "Companionate Marriage." Strange enough, this man, in his magazines, preaches many of the very doctrines which have laid Russia low during the last ten years. He is a zealot for the spread of Evolution.

Late in November these people shocked the nation with the bold announcement that they were giving their eighteen year old high school daughter to a Kansas University student in "Companionate Marriage." The ceremony was performed by a Unitarian preacher in Kansas City. After a brief honeymoon, the young lady returned to her home to continue her high school education. She retained her maiden name. The boy went back to the University. A press report says that before the girl left "on her honeymoon" she intimated "that the marriage PROBABLY would be permanent."

A Baptist minister was quoted in the Kansas City Times as saying, "The marriage should not have been recognized by law, nor sanctioned by society. It is unthinkable that any father, except an atheist, would indorse such a relation for his daughter." The Unitarian who performed the ceremony defended "Companionate Marriage" as a "civilized and humanizing condition."

Simultaneous with his daughter's "Companionate Marriage", the father announced that he was going to marry the girl's mother over again. His reason is as follows: "I was married by a Presbyterian minister who brought in the Holy Ghost. The Holy Ghost has nothing to do with my marriage. It is a marriage in the name of love and the realistic images of life which grow out of that. I have brooded over our archaic marriage ceremony all these years. I was made very unhappy by it. I determined to free myself from the gloom of the mediaeval ceremony." He then bought a new wedding ring."

Judge Ben B. Lindsey, father of the "Companionate Marriage" idea, was delighted over the Kansas marriage. He said, "Companionate Marriage is here to stay in spite of narrow, church-bound bigots who oppose it. It is not new; biologists and physiologists were advocating it before I took it up . . . It will bring sweeping social and legislative changes to this country within the next few decades for it contemplates birth control which is now forbidden."

Birth control is the corner stone of "Companionate Marriage." Instead of trusting God's creative forethought, it advocates the taking of life constantly before conception. Young women must be taught scientific methods of destruction, in order to make the plan work.

Thus, the "Companionate Marriage" system, when carried out, would sanction these practices by law. Restraint would be removed, and free-love would be the inevitable result. In other words, America would be swamped by legalized prostitution. What

was once looked upon as immoral and confined to restricted sections of large cities would thus be justified by law and brought into homes everywhere. Legalized licentiousness would be rampant. The sanctity of home and the purity of wedlock would be destroyed. The home is the bulwark of a nation; break it down and all is lost.

Conditions are bad enough as they are without pouring oil upon the flames. Lindsey's "discovery" is a monstrous blunder. His "new knowledge" is as old as the Pit. We need to cultivate a more stubborn loyalty to marriage vows in America. We need to make divorces more difficult to obtain. We need to teach men and women to yearn for heart purity. We need to erect family altars. We need to purify the stream of life at the life-giving center, through prayer. We need to follow, as near as possible, the beautiful ideals manifested in the life of the Master, and His holy mother. We need to hold the ideals high, for at best sinful men will fall below them. We need to strike this Monster, the product of Evolution, which is pressing itself against the portals of our most sacred human institution — the American home.

Third

Since the charter was granted the American Association for the Advancement of Atheism by the state of New York, a systematic educational program has been conducted in every section of the Country for the avowed purpose of "atheizing" America. A portion of the Constitution of the above organization is as follows:

"Article 2. The object of the society is to abolish belief in God, together with all forms of religion based upon that belief."

"In prosecuting its work, which shall be purely destructive, the society shall hold public meetings and erect radio stations for the delivery and broadcasting of lectures, debates, and discussions on the subjects of science and religion; publish and distribute scientific and anti-religious literature; and conduct a general propaganda in the United States and Canada against the church and the clergy. Specializing in mental reconstruction, the society shall contribute to the building of a better civilization by operating as a wrecking company, leaving to others the designing and establishing of the new order."

As a branch of the organization, a Junior Atheist League has been formed for "boys and girls from seven to seventeen." The National Secretary of this group is a sixteen year old girl. In the literature describing the Junior League, we read:

"Stress will be laid on forming branches in High Schools, as these will prepare students to serve as organizers of Damned Souls Societies during college years, and for effective work thereafter in combating the church. . . . The League will remove boys and girls from the evil influence of the clergy. It will encourage them to protest against Bible reading and religious worship in public schools. . . . The attainment of happiness in this world rather than eternal bliss in a world to come shall be taught the rising generation as the chief end of man. Dispelling the illusions of immortality, the League will free our sons and daughters from the fear of hell and the hope of heaven."

John Roach Straton, well known Baptist preacher of New York City, recently called the hand of the Association by having its President arrested for pestering him with atheistic literature. The Association said it was trying to convert Mr. Straton to atheism. The Magistrate said in passing on the case.

"I do not believe that they were sent with any innocent purposes. I believe that Dr. Straton is a firm, unalterable believer in Christianity and that any attempt to move him in that belief is like trying to move the rock of Gibraltar."

The President was held over on \$500.00 bail "for annoying the pastor with ungodly literature."

One of the most popular atheistic organizations now functioning is "The Devil's Angels", of Los Angeles. In Hawthorne, California, a large atheistic magazine is published by an 18 year old girl, one "Queen Silver." It is an organ for "The Devil's Angels." In a recent number, we read,

"Los Angeles has a branch of 86 members. They call themselves 'The Devil's Angels', and hold public lectures, followed by an open forum, every Friday evening. . . . 'The Devil's Angels' are also organizing a Junior atheistic group, and are about ready to start a Sunday school class along atheistic lines for young children. If you live in or near Los Angeles and

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The Second of a Series of Articles, by
Arthur I. Brown, on

Foibles of Science

Dr. Brown, Vice-President of The Bryan Bible
League, has prepared the League's manuscript
for this month.

Paul W. Rood

A recent evolutionist writer remarks that the "intelligence of young people" revolts against "the fundamentalist interpretation of the Bible", and uses this to establish the truth of the evolutionary doctrine. What an argument! We are advised to reject the verdict of the greatest intellects of all times because "our young people" untrained, unsophisticated, ignorant amateurs, presume to scoff at "those mediaeval ideas", held and advocated by Bible believers today.

The evolutionists seem to have forsaken the sage and reliable wisdom of the elders, and in their extremity have turned for support to the opinions of frivolous, unenlightened teen age children. How have the mighty fallen!

Another writer tells us that the insistence by the Fundamentalists on the veracity and accuracy of every jot and tittle of Scripture, is the reason why "many academically trained young people give up their religion, stay away from churches, and lose their faith in the existence of a personal God."

This statement directly accuses Jesus Christ either of credulous ignorance or deliberate dishonesty. Christ made this claim for all Scripture and it would seem to be a monstrous thing to charge the Son of God with the decline of spirituality everywhere prevalent in the world today.

With boldness which would be amusing if it were not so tragic, these Pseudo-scientists arrogate to themselves a remarkable superiority in culture and learning. To say the least, their demeanor is not one of humility, and it might be wise for them to observe the biblical injunction, "Be not wise in your own conceits," and "let no man think more highly of himself than he ought to think."

Today it is almost necessary for a student in college and university, in order to enjoy any comfort in his scholastic career to wear a badge on the lapel of the coat, "I am an Evolutionist." It would appear that any student who was willing to subscribe to this dogmatic evolutionary creed instantly qualifies for membership in the select circle of the intelligentsia.

We are frequently reminded of the alleged objective methods of science and of the subjective methods of religion; as if Science

dealt only with tangible, proven fact, and religion with ephemeral, emotional fancies.

This obviously false and absurd assumption of the evolutionist is usually supported by sweeping, ponderous, and grandiloquent generalization in regard to the "Irrefutable Mass" of evolutionary evidence. True, this evidence is not yet available, but the alluring hope is held before anxious and weary eyes that some day, somewhere, in the hidden profundities of earth or sea, we shall discover this storehouse of sorely needed proof. We have waited long — are waiting still — how long, O Lord, how long!

Not only do these credulous advocates of the Darwinian theory presume to produce the body of man by this age long process of constant and infinitesimal change, but some of them attempt to account, in this way, for the soul of man.

Evolution, assumed as fact, in some unknown way, developed instinct, which, they say, is identical in kind with human intelligence, but different in degree. As instinct develops into intelligence, the latter produces social instincts, which bring in their train "social relations." Then moral consciousness "emerges" (useful word!), and so we have morals. These are stated to be the outcome of an "expanding intelligence", of "moral environment" (whatever that may be) and of spiritual discernment, when the spiritual side of man has been sufficiently unfolded (unfolded from what, we are not informed!).

Thus, the evolutionary principle dominates all realms, physical, mental, moral and spiritual, by the gradual "emergence" of one from the other. The entire process is based on false and imaginary conceptions.

Dr. Geo. Barry O'Toole, in his great work "A Case Against Evolution", discusses in detail "The Origin of the Human Soul." He analyzes the problem under five heads. (1) Matter and Spirit; (2) The Science of the Soul; (3) The Nature of the Human Soul; (4) Darwinian Anthropomorphism; and (5) The True Significance of Instinct.

He proves that the necessary assumptions of the evolutionists are mistaken and demolishes the materialistic claim by unanswerable argument. He demonstrates the irreconcilable differences between instinct and intelligence. He defines instinct as,

"A psycho-organic propensity, not acquired by education or experience, but congenital by inheritance and identical in all members of the same zoological species, having as its physical basis the specific nervous organization of the animal and as its psychic basis a teleological co-ordination of the cognitive, emotional, and motor functions, in virtue of which, given the proper physiological state of the organism and the presence of an appropriate environmental stimulus, an animal, without consciousness of purpose, is impelled to the inception, and regulated in the performance, of complicated behaviour, which is sensually gratifying, and, under normal circumstances, simultaneously beneficial to the individual, or the race."

His definition of Intelligence is equally clear cut:

"In its proper and most general usage, intelligence denotes a cognitive power of abstraction and generalization, which by means of conceptual comparison, discovers the supersensible relationships existent between the realities conceived, in such wise as to apprehend substances beneath phenomena, causes behind effects, and remote ends beyond proximate means."

He shows that a proper interpretation of animal peculiarities indicates that "sense and not intelligence is the regulatory principle of instinct." There is no ground whatever for supposing the brute to possess su-

per-organic powers of understanding, com-scientists claim that instinct and intelligence are of the same quality differing only in degree, they are in antagonism to the known facts of the case.

Another persistent foible is insistence on the necessity of being a savant or specialist in chemistry, physics, biology or zoology, in order to have a clear comprehension of the methods, certainties, and limitations of the sciences. In other words, it is the duty of the lay mind, no matter how intelligent that may be, NOT to draw any conclusions of its own, but to accept without question the views promulgated by evolutionary scientists.

We are quite willing to accord to the scientists considerable admiration for the many scientific facts they have uncovered and we are in a sense dependent upon these facts. But, we deny the right of the scientist to form our conclusions for us on any subject. A jury of twelve ordinary intelligent men and women will decide satisfactorily the most technical questions when the facts are fairly and adequately presented to them.

We are willing to accept the facts of science uncovered by able and patient investigators in all realms, but we reserve the right to interpret the meaning of these facts.

Many scientists are fond of using long words and phrases, and much technical terminology in order to convince the reader that the comprehension of the subject is quite beyond his mental capacity and therefore, any independent judgment is impossible.

As O'Toole says: "Science is much subject to the vicissitudes of fashion, and is influenced by the ebb and flow of intellectual currents, impelling a certain kind of influence which dogmatically accepts or rejects a particular theory." The modern intellectual current bears the stamp of uniformity and negation. The moral emasculation which characterizes this twentieth century error induces a temper to which the miraculous is repugnant. It is the correct thing to deny all that our fathers believed, and, at any price, to welcome innovation!

It would be well for the evolutionist occasionally to remember that the live fish swim against the stream, while the dead ones drift with the current. To believe what the majority believes is not necessarily to be right... Majorities have more often been wrong than right. The majority instituted slavery. Majorities have set up innumerable gibbets throughout the world's history. Majorities have burned thousands of martyrs at the stake. The majority crucified Jesus Christ. So we refuse to be governed by majority on this question, and will not surrender our intellect to the control of any group of individuals. Why should we allow our brains to be occupied with other men's conclusions?

The Fundamentalist is constantly charged with ingrained and unreasoning antipathy to science. Nothing could be further from the truth. Those who make this accusation confuse fact with elucidation of facts, and evidence with its interpretation. Of course, the one cannot be substituted for the other. The history of Galileo is frequently cited as an instance of the narrowness and ignorance of (Turn to page 5.)

WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT

Mrs. Gerald B. Winrod, Editor

AN EXCHANGE OF LETTERS

Mrs. Gerald B. Winrod,
Wichita, Kansas.

Dear Mrs. Winrod:

Since I had the privilege of meeting and hearing you at the Defenders' Convention, I just wanted to kindly ask a favor of you. I belong to a Mission Society here, and we meet once a month. The Program Committee put me on this month for a paper on "A True Mother", and I just thought how very nice it would be to have a few words from a mother who is very able to speak on this subject. . . . So if you can send me a few words by return mail it would be greatly appreciated.

Yours respectfully,

Mrs. B. M. D.—
M—, Kansas.

Dear Sister D—

I am glad to comply with your request and send you a few written thoughts regarding "A True Mother."

The purest and most noble of all mothers was Mary, the Mother of Jesus. Yet she lost Him when He was twelve years old. You recall how she left Him in the temple at Jerusalem after attending the Passover there. Mary did not understand her child fully. He had an individuality of His own. A perfect mother would have to understand her child completely; know its every thought. This is humanly impossible. Therefore, the only way to be a true mother is to give the child over to the supernatural care of our Heavenly Father for protection and spiritual guidance.

Only yesterday, our little eleven month old boy pulled his high-chair over on himself. The tray cut his eyelid dangerously near the eyeball. Only the protective hand of God saved the precious eye. I, his mother, was standing within a few feet of my baby, preparing his orange juice, caring for him to the best of my ability. Such an incident brings to mind how helpless we are in our own strength. Mothers, offer a protective prayer for your child each morning and evening. The Lord's Prayer and the ninety-first Psalm are ideal for daily use.

There are many things a true mother should understand. There are proper methods of feeding and clothing the little ones. There is the problem of discipline. The family-altar is a wonderful help. You remember through Moses, God gave many laws which men were to abide by. When Jesus came, He was all-sufficient and those who have Christ have all laws written in their hearts. The mother who keeps Christ ruling on the throne of her heart will be "A True Mother."

Faithfully yours,

Mrs. Gerald B. Winrod.

CONSECRATION

Mrs. G. B. W.

"Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?"
Acts 9:6

After the heart has experienced conviction and the struggles with the "powers that be" have given place to a decision of accepting Jesus Christ as a personal Savior; then comes the conscious manifestation of change to the soul who is given, for all time and all things, to God. The Indwelling Spirit reveals Himself to the fully consecrated soul in such wondrous sweetness and power that

He becomes an unquestionable reality to the twice-born soul.

To the soul who gives himself wholly to God, life is transformed beyond his fondest hopes. The blessings of the abundant life become richer as the soul obeys the call for a more complete surrender and continued consecration. There is a limit to all material things. There is no limit to God's spiritual gifts and blessings. The devout Christian is ever sailing onward upon a sea of limitless "growth and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ." The gift of God is eternal life. (Romans 6:23.)

PRAY

By, Mrs. Elof Haroldson

PRAY ON THE FIELD OF BATTLE,
GOD WORKS WITH THOSE WHO PRAY,
HIS MIGHTY ARM CAN NERVE US,
AND MAKE US WIN THE DAY,
PRAY, PRAY ON THE FIELD OF BATTLE,
PRAY!

FOIBLES OF SCIENCE

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the church. Next month the question of Galileo will be dealt with.

The supercilious evolutionist apparently believes that all those who reject their popular theory are held in the bonds of abysmal ignorance. He exhibits a condescending attitude of intellectual superiority towards the believer in creation and the Bible. This lofty self-satisfied and detached air affected by the Darwinian disciples is often seen when they find themselves unable to answer the arguments of the opponents.

Why cannot our evolutionist friends give us some credit for sincerity of purpose and adequacy of intellectual equipment, and will they not acquit us of the oft repeated charge of desiring to misrepresent and misquote them?

One of the strongest arguments of the anti-evolutionist is the very wide and vital differences of opinion manifested by different groups of evolutionary leaders. It is surely quite legitimate and ethical to uncover these great and fundamental disagreements between them on most important phases of this doctrine. And we also must be allowed to point out the innumerable contradictions in their writings, — contradictions which invalidate and destroy their confidently-proclaimed judgments.

When the evolutionist goes into detail he becomes lost in the intricate maze of his own mental processes. He has decided to travel a certain road and we cannot but smile at the oft-repeated falls into the many pits of his own digressing. Those of us who walk the firm road of certainty and truth cannot but be interested and entertained, by his prodigious feats of intellectual gymnastics performed while he unsuccessfully attempts to extricate himself from the engulfing quicksands of doubt and hypothesis. When we throw him the life-line of creation he indignantly and scornfully refuses the proffered rescue as beneath one who occupies one of the seats of the mighty.

While confident that evolution is a "fact", he does not hesitate to admit that he has not yet discovered any possible "factors" by which the process can be made to operate. Of course, the "fact" of evolution is just as strong and no stronger than its "factors"!

Unless the "factors" carry some reasonable semblance of plausibility and workableness, we must continue to reject the whole hypothesis as factless and unscientific.

Creation has satisfied many of the world's greatest minds and we are content to trust the factors of creation to an Omniscient God. A belief in creation puts no excessive strain on our reason, and to accept the Creator who designed and fashioned all life requires no great stretch of the imagination.

We believe in an omnipresent, omnipotent, omniscient Maker. In doing this, we violate no canon of logic because no proven fact contradicts such a belief. This Creator is not an anthropomorphic God, but a Being, invisible, incorporeal, spiritual, eternal, personal. We are created in His mental and spiritual image. In an infinitesimal degree we share some of His attributes. God thinks, reasons, plans, loves, hates, remembers, and experiences joy and sorrow. On an infinitely lower plane, we possess similar qualities, and there is implanted in every man the instinct to worship this Creator.

This belief in the existence of a Supreme Power and Personality, instantly removes all otherwise insuperable objections to Creation. We prescribe no limits to His power. We must believe that, if He wished, He was able to transmit a literal and meticulously accurate historical and spiritual Record of His work and plans, though fallible but miraculously controlled human instruments.

The Scriptures themselves predict a time at the end of this age of Grace, when "learning, so-called" would be Satan's chosen weapon to batter down the stronghold of Christianity, and destroy the faith of men in the Only Book which reveals to them the way back to God. This hammer of a false scholarship is inevitably doomed to be shattered on the impregnable anvil of accredited Science, which is God's Truth.

Those who have found refuge within its sheltering fold are safe from all alarms, and will be untouched in the fearful and impending cataclysm which will soon rock and wreck the foundations of the world rapidly approaching chaos and destruction.

COMPANIONATE MARRIAGE

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want to give your children a chance to learn something worth while, communicate with the secretary at her home address, or come to the Friday evening meetings and meet her personally. She will help you save your children from the claws of the church. "Crush the monster!"

Under the headings of "A Theological Dictionary" we read in different issues of "Queen Silver's Magazine":

ANGEL: A celestial snapper.

BLOOD: Used by Christians instead of water. They drink blood, sing blood, bathe in blood. All of the blood comes from Jesus. It is no wonder he is dead, after furnishing blood for all the Christians of the world to use in their ceremonies.

CHRIST: A being who came to save the world and died without being able to save himself.

COMMANDMENTS: Orders issued by God's chief of police.

DEVIL: The patron saint of all priests, for without him there could have been no temptation, no sin, no salvation, nothing for the priests to talk about.

GOD: A great guess.

HELL: A place where the steam heat is never turned off; God created it so as to have a place to cook an eternal cannibal stew.

INFIDEL: Anyone who has too much sense to believe in biblical Santa Claus.

JESUS: Son of Mary. No one knows who she was. Father was God, who deserted his mother before his birth, leaving her without room, rent or medical attention.

I shall not continue with this dictionary of blasphemy. It is wicked and disgusting. It shows to what extremes the present materialistic trend of thought can lead people.

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(This review by Paul W. Rood.)

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"The Two Kingdoms," By, A. E. Janzen, Published by, The Author, Hillsboro, Kansas. 75 cents.

Dr. Janzen is professor of economics, Tabor College. The title of this book does not convey its contents. It is a series of Bible studies in Prophecy. The author is thoroughly sound. He holds the views generally accepted by pre-millennialists.

The character and deeds of the Antichrist are discussed. The Rapture is described. The Return of the Jews is predicted. The Last Judgment is explained.

"How Long to the End?" By, Philip Mauro, Published by, Hamilton Brothers, 120 Tremont St., Boston. 35 cents.

This book is devoted largely to an attack on the doctrines which have long been accepted by pre-millennialists with reference to the events that enter into the age-end. We hold Mr. Mauro in high esteem and value most of his other books, particularly "Evolution at the Bar", but this work, in our opinion, does violence to many plain prophetic truths.

He is certain that the Jews will NOT return to Palestine and be officially declared a nation. He says, "Zionism is a fizzle." There will be no "Great Tribulation" before the second advent. The Tribulation described in Matthew 24 took place at the time of the destruction of Jerusalem in A. D. 66. The idea of the Lord catching away His saints (I Thess. 4:17) before His return to the earth-plane is rejected because the author "cannot find a scrap of evidence to support it in the Scriptures." "The Scofield Reference Bible" is a dangerous work of "strange doctrines" and is compared with the writings of Mrs. Eddy. Such statements are to be regretted. There is an unpleasant dogmatism running through the entire book.

However, Mr. Mauro is a profound student. His writings reveal deep study. There is much good material in "How Long to the End?" and we recommend that prophetic students inform themselves concerning his views, though much of it will be rejected by students of standing equal to that of the author.

"The Gospel in its Native Land," By, Annie MacDonald, Published by, The Author, 410 Tacoma Bldg., Chicago. \$1.25.

This is a description of the author's tour of Palestine. The book is replete with pictures taken during her travels. It is highly instructive and illuminating; of particular value to persons not fortunate enough to tour the Holy Land.

"The Life of William Jennings Bryan," By, John Herrick, Order From The Defender Publishers, Wichita. \$2.75.

This book contains 424 pages. Because the principles for which Mr. Bryan fought and stood are universal and will endure while time lasts, interest in his speeches and accomplishments survive his departure. The present reviewer has received much inspiration from this book. He has enjoyed also, the large number of pictures of the Great Commoner. It is difficult to realize that so many accomplishments could have been packed into one short life.

All sides of Bryan's life are described. He is seen as Reformer, Lawyer, Lover, "Boy Orator of the Platte," Congressman, Dry Crusader, Lecturer, Presidential Candidate, Farmer, Commoner, Secretary of State, Patriot, Idealist, Seer and Defender of the Faith. Many of his addresses are printed, including, "The Cross of Gold" and "The Prince of Peace."

Details of his principal battles, presidential campaigns and world tour are described. Touching incidents revealing the inner nature of the man are related. The facts relating to his famous Peace Treaties negotiated with thirty nations, while Secretary of State, are most interesting. The "Why" of his break with President Wilson is told. His final effort to convert Wilson to his views concerning war, is described. Failing in this, his only alternative was to resign. The sorrow that came to both men over this break is touching.

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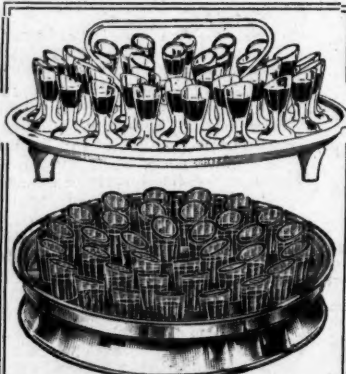
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CONTEND FOR THE FAITH

By, Mark A. Matthews

(Dr. Mark Matthews, pastor First Presbyterian Church, Seattle, the largest church of his denomination in America, prepared this message to be read at the Annual Convention of The Defenders in November. It was read by his friend and colleague, Rev. Paul W. Rood, of Turlock, California. It is a remarkable deliverance. Editor.)

MY BELOVED DEFENDERS OF THE FAITH

There was never a time in the history of the Church when your work was needed as much as it is needed today. We are not fighting the baser elements of life. Our warfare is not against the coarse, the vulgar, and the more flagrant violation of law. But our battle is against the strategies of Satan. He is not dealing in the coarse things of life. He is operating in the realms of psychology, in the domain of religions, and in the field of speculative philosophy. He is the author of the evolution religion. He is the director of the atheistic philosophy. He is the creator of the rationalistic psychology. He is the master brain in the false religions and cults of today. He is trying to bring about the state of apostasy mentioned in Holy Writ.

He is also operating in the political world, and is the author of bolshevism, syndicalism, nihilism, socialism, and anarchy. They all strike at the Sovereignty of God, the infallibility of the Bible, the supernatural birth of the Church, the Deity of Christ, and the constitutional authority of government. They make a direct attack upon God and therefore it is logical for them to make a direct attack on law, order and constitutional government.

These things are said to prove to you, if you will follow the logic, that this is the day in which you should uncompromisingly fight for the faith delivered once for all to the saints.

It is the duty, the God-created and commanded duty of every Christian redeemed by the blood of Jesus Christ, to contend for the faith. The great writer, in the little book, in God's infallible Word, said: "It was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints."

There are three very significant facts stated in the quotation.

First. You are required to earnestly contend for the faith. You are not permitted to go about this task in an indifferent, lackadaisical, careless and impersonal way. It is the earnestness born of conviction and controlled by the abiding belief of the eternal truth revealed by the Holy Ghost.

Second. You are required to contend for the faith delivered to the saints. You are not permitted to compromise, to adjust the faith to the code and programme of unbelief. You are required to contend for it, fight for it, die for it if need be.

Third. The faith is of supernatural origin, created and delivered by Almighty God, and revealed to the church by the members of the Godhead.

What is this faith requiring such controlling belief, such strenuous efforts and continuous teaching? It is not the product merely of historical facts. It is more than historical facts. It is composed of supernatural facts making supernatural history, which can never be effaced, changed or amended. It is absolute belief in the sovereignty of God, who created all things; an over-mastering belief in Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God, very God of very God, born of the Virgin Mary—God incarnate; the glorious fact of the vicarious, substitutionary death of Jesus Christ, the only means of salvation, the only way by which one can be born again and formed a new creature in Christ Jesus, the only way by

which sin can be atoned for, the only process by which the sinner can be lifted from his lost estate and given a supernatural position in Christ before God; the blessed fact of facts, the supernatural resurrection of Jesus Christ, raised from the dead as an evidence that God had accepted his vicarious atonement as the ground of our justification, for God cannot receive the sinner in a state of justification if Jesus Christ did not vicariously die and supernaturally arise from the dead. His resurrection is the most glorious fact of all, and on it the whole fabric of Christianity rests. The victorious fact of his ascension, his seat at the right hand of God as Mediator, where he now abides and represents the church. The fact of the security of the church, the security of every redeemed soul, and the absolute certainty of that soul's everlasting companionship with him in the heavenly mansion. The great dynamic fact of his second coming. He will come in real, tangible, visible form, in the same body in which he arose from the grave and ascended to the right hand of God. The great fact of God's infallible Word, inspired, vested with supernatural authority—the only Book of authority in the world, our only rule of faith and practice.

The evangelization of the world and the programme of the church rests upon these facts. These supernatural facts, delivered by Almighty God, constitute the faith delivered once for all to the saints. There have been no amendments, no additions, no subtractions from this supernatural faith. It is the creed delivered by Almighty God to those who are born again through the blood of Jesus Christ. There can be no other creed God will sanction, that the church should hold, or that individuals should teach. All modifications come from the enemies of Christ, the rationalistic enemies of Christ.

Christ is the Son of God, Very Son of Very God, born of the Virgin Mary, or He is not anything. God testifies that He is His Son; that He was born of the Virgin Mary; that He did have a previous eternal existence; that He did die on Calvary for the salvation of sinners; that He did arise from the dead; He did ascend; He is at the right hand of God; He is coming again. We are required to contend for this faith, to fight for it, to die for it, if need be.

There is another significant fact: The quotation itself teaches that we cannot contend unless the faith is being attacked, unless the enemies of Christ are hurling their anathemas, unless the forces of antichrist are trying to destroy the faith. It is the business of the church to propagate the faith, to teach it, to do an aggressive piece of work in the line of teaching the faith. If the church were bending her every energy in teaching the faith, perhaps the enemies of Christ would be put to flight more rapidly. Who brought on the war? The enemies of Christ. Who is bringing on the war within the church? The enemies of this creed, the enemies of this faith, those who represent the rationalistic, antichrist forces of the world. Do they expect the born-again, redeemed Christians to sit idly by, while they ruthlessly attack the faith, try to destroy the authority of the Bible, and try to rob Christ of his power and of his vicarious work? They make the attack on Christ and on this creed, and then, with faces covered with manufactured smiles of piety, they say, "We ought to live together in peace and quiet and the church should not be disturbed." Who disturbed the church? She was quiet and peaceful, continuing her work of propagating the faith until the enemies of Christ entered the fold and began to attack the very life of the Son of God.

Those who contend for peace after they have created the disturbance remind one very much of a domestic scene where the affinity, the paramour, comes into the home and says to the loving, faithful wife: "Let us dwell together in peace and quiet; we should not disturb the tranquility of the domestic circle; let us advocate unity, and in union let us dwell together under this one roof in peace and happiness." Hagar tried it. Others have tried it, but they had to be cast out. There is no room for the affinity in the well-ordered, well-regulated, orthodox, God-loving Christian home. It is just as impossible to have peace in the church of Jesus Christ when the ecclesiastical affinities try to destroy the integrity and character, and work and power of the Head of the church. There is no such thing as organic union with heresy and orthodoxy, with Christ and antichrist, with the rationalistic forces and real Christianity. The Christian is of supernatural origin. He cannot dwell in peace and in unity with one who is of natural origin, who comes of rationalistic parentage. There is no peace; they cannot dwell together. The scene presents trouble, sorrow and contention. It calls for the greatest exercise of faith on the part of Christians the world has ever seen. The battle must be fierce, the contention must be strenuous, the spirit of loyalty must be perfect, and the church must be in incessant prayer. No move should be made that is not the result of incessant prayer.

Let every true Christian, born-again child of God, remember that the gates of hell shall not prevail against the church. She shall triumph. The affinity and her rationalistic children shall be cast out. The church shall be preserved, protected, and at last gathered into her everlasting home with Christ.

Awake, Christians, and defend the faith. It is your God-decreed duty.

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stamped in gold) that has ever been received by The Defender for review. Your editor is enthused over this truly great book, and hopes for it a wide circulation. A converted Jewish Rabbi is quoted as saying, "It is worth its weight in gold." All through it, will be found Greek characters from which the original New Testament writings were translated. This throws new light upon many obscure texts.

Concerning the title of the book, the author says, "If the title seems a bit startling, the conditions that called it forth are no less so; for they render it impossible to mince matters, and the courageous attitude is to face things as they are. There has accordingly been no dodging either in the title or the text."

"The Case Stated" is the subject of the opening chapter. Here, a comprehensive statement is given, showing how impossible it is to harmonize Christianity and Modernism. We read, "Either Christ was born of a virgin or he was not . . . If, however, he was not so born, he must have been what the Jews have always said that he was and what they still call him — 'Jesus, the Bastard'."

Next in order comes a discussion of "The Trinity" which covers two chapters. "There are those", we are told, "who find it impossible to understand how there can be a Father, a Son, and a Holy Ghost, while at the same time there is only one divine being. Mohammed had the same difficulty, and he met it by teaching that God is one. Christ being merely a prophet. In other words, he cut the knot which he could not untie. That is what modern Unitarianism does."

Chapters 4 and 5, ("The Relationship of Joseph to Jesus" and "The Two Genealogies") cannot be satisfactorily covered by a brief review. They deal at length with original Greek texts and must be studied.

The next chapters on, "The Source of Christ's Power" and "An Argument from Analogy", shows that such a miraculous life as Jesus lived would have to be accompanied with a miraculous birth. Herein, pastors will find much valuable material for sermonizing.

Chapter 8, "Old Testament Considerations" is a remarkable defense. It deals with prophetic truth. Other chapter titles are, "The Personality of Jesus" and "Christ's Estimate of Himself." Another chapter is devoted to the mystery of the Atonement under the heading, "The Meaning of the Cross."

This book should be used in every evangelical school of theology in America. The author uses a sledge-hammer pen and takes an uncompromising stand. Doubtless, he has worked a long time on this book. (It may be ordered from the Publishers — or, from The Defender Publishers, Wichita.)

"Creation Vs Evolution", By, Newton N. Riddell, Published by, Vital Christianity Publishers, Des Moines. \$1.50.

This author needs no introduction. He is a most profound student. He is the author of several books. In his public lectures, he has spoken to a few million persons. His friends have waited a long time for the present volume.

It deals with spiritual, creative causes, and shows wherein material scientists, including the evolutionists, deal only with outer effects. Mr. Riddell is a philosopher; a Christian mystic. As one studies this book, he finds himself in spiritual realms of thought dealing with inner creative processes which transcend force and matter. The claims of presumptuous evolutionists who would reduce the world to a huge, physical machine are shattered. How little the materialist really knows!

This volume reveals originality of thought and is unlike any other book on the subject. The principal assumptions of Evolution are considered one by one in a spiritual and scholarly manner which is impressive to the evangelical Christian and destructive to the Hypothesis. This is one of the most desirable books against Evolution yet written, and must be examined to be appreciated. No review can do it justice; it must be studied. We are glad to know that already it is having a good sale.

AN APPRECIATION

Dear Winrod:

Nothing better than the November number of The Defender has come to my study table for a long time. It is loaded with truth. Articles dealing with Modernism, Psychology, Evolution and all the rest are fine. You are doing a noble work. The only way to deal with apostasy is to deal with it uncompromisingly.

The cry for peace is a false wail of already whipped Modernists who want to get under cover. Convictions know neither armistice nor truce. Ours is a war and not a battle. We are sure of ultimate victory, but must save as many as possible from the degeneracy that inevitably results from the adoption of the false philosophy of unbelievers.

All harks back to the acceptance of the Bible as God's Word. Right there is the Crossroads and when people take the wrong track there they are off the road all the way through. "AS FOR ME AND MY HOUSE WE WILL SERVE THE LORD." There and there alone is safety.

With warmest regards,

A. Z. Conrad.

P. S. I shall be lecturing at the Mt. Hermon Institute near Santa Cruz, California, next July.

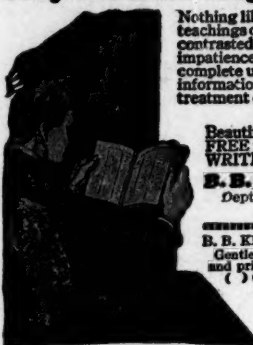
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living at home. The mother says that when "boys and girls feel an emotional compulsion to marry" they should be allowed to do so on the basis of a "companionate marriage." She hopes that this step "may prove an encouragement to other young couples to do the same."

DR. MARK A. MATTHEWS, a Defender, recently celebrated his twenty-fifth anniversary as pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Seattle. He has conducted 6,750 services, preached 3,425 sermons, made 5,225 other addresses, performed 4,750 marriage ceremonies, baptized 2,500 babies and 3,125 adults, conducted 1,850 funerals. The present active membership of his church is 8,758.

REV. S. MOUTTET, Mennonite preacher, is giving a faithful testimony in the rural district south of Kingman, Kansas. Through his efforts a meeting was arranged in Belmont, Kansas, November 8. A large and responsive crowd was present to hear Mr. Winrod. At the close of the address several families united with "The Defenders."

DR. T. T. SHIELDS, pastor Jarvis Street Baptist Church, Toronto, Ontario, one of the outstanding leaders of the conservative forces of his denomination, writes in his weekly magazine, "The Gospel Witness", that his church has been

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"Beheaded" by the Modernists of the Ontario and Quebec Convention. Bedlam has reigned ever since Dr. Shields commenced his attack upon McMaster University for teaching Evolution and Modernism while supported by Fundamental Baptist money. His great church was expelled by a vote of 532 to 217—a victory for the Modernists.

ACCORDING TO CURRENT PRESS REPORTS, emanating from an evolutionist in New York, "The basis of private property and morality was laid hundreds of thousands or millions of years ago when our ancestors, ferocious brutes, seized the caves, drove the other animals out and stood at the entrance guarding their home and their young." Intellectual T. N. T.!

